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STEEL STRIKE SETTLED

Gosser Announces Shop Wage Hikes

Interim Increases Granted To Commercial Metals, Champion

Wage increases amounting to 10 per cent for employes of the Commercial Metals Treating Corporation and 18 per cent for Champion Spark Plug workers was announced on Monday of this week by Richard Gosser. Both are Units of Local 12, UAW-CIO.

Director Gosser explained that the 10 per cent increase granted Commercial Metals employes was a supplement to the present contract as an interim arrangement until the wage pattern had been settled for the heat treating industry.

Participating in the negotiations leading to the wage raise were Larry Bounward, chairman; Sam Price, Charles Murdock, H. C. Wallar and Jack Califf for the union and Robert P. Bolles, president, John A. Mayer, general manager and Leon J. Barron, personnel director for the management.

Howard H. Rediger, Local 12 representative in charge of the shop assisted in the negotiations which were conducted on a friendly basis.

Champion Gets 18%

Wage increases given Champion employes will amount to approximately $1,000,000 annually or an increase of 18 per cent and supplements the contract. About 2500 workers will be effected by the raise which runs from 18 to 27½ cents an hour . The new rates became effective Feb. 11.

Negotiations which were started in Oct. 1945 were conducted -by the executive shop committee consisting of John Grup, Cap Andrews, Charles Johnson, Al Kulwicki, Clem Jones, Minnie Schlegel, Vern Montague, John Byrd and Cliff Kiell.

Lloyd Speidell, Local 12 recording secretary who holds his seniority in the Champion Unit assisted in the negotiations.

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Time for Plain Talk

By Tom Burke
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KNOWLEDGE

"Give the people knowledge and they will find their own way." This has been an axiom of great wisdom for centuries.

Wars have been fought, including World War II, because desperate attempts have been made to keep knowledge from the people by those who feared the possession of knowledge by people generally.

Hitler went a long way before he was pulled up short. The backbone of his strategy, by his own admission in Mein Kampf, was to tell a big lie often enough and the people will accept it as truth. Hitler either didn't know, or completely forgot or disbelieved a principle aptly voiced by our own immortal Abraham Lincoln that: "You can fool all of the people some of the time, some of the people all the time, but you can't fool all of the people all of the time."

Those who would control the lives and destinies of other people for their own selfish purposes have always ignored or disbelieved this basic truth so succintly put by Lincoln.

Christ was crucified because He preached truth to multitudes and the truth He preach-

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Ask More Time In GM Wage Dispute

DETROIT, Feb. 20 — Both labor and management representatives in the General Motors negotiations today rejected the suggestion of Special Federal Mediator James F. Dewey that longer conferences be held in attempts to end the three months long strike.

It is the wish of the Secretary of Labor Lewis B. Schwellenbach that the negotiating sessions be carried on for longer periods of time. Today's session was held on schedule without compliance with the desire of Secretary Schwellenbach.

It was announced by the mediator that 15 issues had been settled but that maintenance of membership and the wage issue, the most important on the agenda before final settlement can be made still remain to be solved.

Ringing Doorbells Needed -- Wallace

Cites Need For Independent Political Action At Once

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 18 — (LPA) — "This is not a time for ringing speeches; it is a time for ringing doorbells," Commerce Secretary Henry A. Wallace declared in an address to the Nat'l Citizens Political Action Committee here last week.

Political parties are not in themselves, the former vice-president emphasized in urging vigorous efforts on behalf of the reelection of Connecticut's four progressive Congressmen. "They are merely the instruments of the people's power — the political expression of the people's will," Wallace said.

"There is need—an indispensible need—for political action independent of organized political parties. There is need for organized but independent effort to stimuate thought and action by the individual voter — to awaken political consciousness, to keep political parties aware of popular needs, and to keep political controversy on a national level.

There is urgent need for independent pressure through such organizations as the Natl. Citizens Political Action Committee."

Discussed Atomic Bills

Wallace said, "There are three atomic energy bills under study. The McMahon bill is the only one which maintains the principle of government responsibility to the people. It is the only one which places control of the

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Variations Of Collective Bargaining

These are the weapons which murdered two pickets and injured three others after the Toledo, Peoria & Western Railroad has placed them in the hands of trigger-happy company thugs. The brutal slayings of striking employes by hirelings of a company with one of the most notorious labor records in the nation shocked the country and brought demands for a federal investigation and a Congressional inquiry. (LPA)

Treasury Thwarts Congress

WASHINGTON, Febr. 18— (LPA) — The Treasury Dept. has consistently thwarted the attempts of Rep. Cleveland Bailey (D., W. Va.) to obtain figures on the millions of dollars U. S. corporations are claiming in carry-back tax refunds, Bailey declared last week.

The West Virginian, who has solid labor support behind his bill to eliminate carry-back refunds as of last Jan. 1, told LPA that "I'm having all kinds of difficulty with the Treasury Department; I've been meeting a stone wall at every turn."

Hearings on his legislation before the House Ways & Means Committee will be meaningless" unless verified figures can be obtained from the Treasury Department, he added.

In an effort to force the Treasury into cooperating with Congress, Bailey said that he would introduce a privileged resolution in the near future asking Treasury to file its figures on profits and refunds.

Bailey asserted that aside from the charges that carry-back refunds are making it possible for industry to provoke and continue strikes, the carry-back provisions of the revenue law—which he alone voted against — "are comparable to having a checking account and permitting anyone to draw against it."

Bailey's fight to clip these enormous tax handouts to corporations was joined last week by Sen. Robert LaFollette (Prog. Wis.) who declared in an article in the weekly Progressive that "it can be stated unequivocally that Congress has unwittingly stacked the cards heavily in favor of management."

"It is reported in the press," LaFollette continued, "that General Motors is in a position to get back from the government in tax refunds 83½c of every dollar in lost income because of its strike."

Here's a Bargain

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (LPA) — Step right up! Here y'are! A genuine Superfortress marked down from $250,000 to $350, complete with engines, propellers, flight instruments and all equipment!

Only catch in the deal, offered this week by the War Assets Corp., is that you're not permitted to take the Superfort off the ground. Sales are restricted to non-profit education institutions, which includes unions. Some of the smaller plane are offered for $50.

When quiet reason failed to prevail on the Connecticut state legislature to call a special session to provide unemployment compensation benefits to strikers, more than 1000 CIO and AFL unionists staged a demonstration at the state capitol. Along with the jobless benefits the AFL and CIO wanted the legislature to go to work on adequate housing for veterans and the question of low wages for state employes. (LPA)

Ickes Pays For Truth

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 — (LPA) — It was typical of Harold L. Ickes that the day after he resigned as Secretary of Commerce his first act was to accept honorary chairmanship of the Natl. Committee To Aid Families of General Motors Strikers.

And just as typical as his parting declaration that "I don't care to stay in an administration where I am expected to commit perjury for the sake of the party" was his 13-year fight for unpopular causes, for the underdog and for honesty in government, Washington liberals agreed.

Ickes, a former newspaperman, got his nickname, Honest Harold, after administering $4,500,000,000 in Public Works Administration projects.

He pilloried Huey Long as afflicted with "halitosis of the intellect" and Hugh Johnson with "mental saddle sores." Millions of Americans laughed at Presidential candidate Tom Dewey when Ickes said that the New York governor had "thrown his diaper into the ring." To the self-styled "Old Curmudgeon," Wendell Willkie was "a simple barefoot Wall Street lawyer."

Feuds With Papers

His running feud with the nation's reactionary daily press delighted liberals almost as much as his solid achievements in planning vast conservation, reclamation and power programs.

When the hidebound Daughters of the American Revolution refused to permit Marian Anderson, world-noted Negro contralto, to sing in their Washington auditorium, Ickes aranged for her to sing before an estimated

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Truman Wage Plan Used As Foundation For Accord

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16—Settlement of the steelworkers strike involving 750,000 employes of the major steel companies was announced here last night on the basis of the Truman wage-price plan.

Agreement of the steelworkers to accept a compromise wage increase of 18½ cents an hour, recommended by the President, makes an early return to work possible.

Collective bargaining will begin today, according to an announcement made by CIO President Philip Murray. The agreement covered 130,000 workers employed in the plants of the U. S. Steel Corporation only, whose strike was to end officially Monday when the pay increase becomes effective.

Pay Issue Compromised

Retroactive pay increases which held back final settlement of the strike was compromised with the workers receiving 9¼ cents increase for the period between Jan. 1 and Jan 21 when the strike began.

The Union had asked for the full 18½ cents increase effective Jan. 1, while the corporation sought to make the effective date Jan. 21.

Benjajmin F. Fairless, president of the U. S. Steel Corporation said the increase would amount to about $32 for each employee a month and would

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Objection Overruled

Somehow the Mobile Industrial Union Council-CIO is able to overcome its surprise at having elected the first woman ever to head a CIO council in Alabama long enough to transact its spate of regular business. Comely Edna Dixon, of the Industrial Union of Marine & Shipbuilding Workers is the new president and she rules with a firm, not to mention dainty hand. (LPA)

Frankensteen Quits As UAW V-P

DETROIT, Feb. 15—Richard T. Frankensteen, vice-president of the International UAW-CIO, today announced that he would not be a candidate for re-election at the Atlantic City convention next month.

In a press statement, Mr. Frankensteen attributed his retirement to the fact that his three children were growing up and that he and his wife felt they deserved two parents.

Saying that President R. J. Thomas and Secretary-Treasurer George Addes knew of his intentions not to again seek the vice-presidency, Frankensteen stated, "it was upon their advice and counsel that I delayed this action until now. It was felt that an earlier announcement would have had some repercussions on our drive for the 30 per cent increase."

Thanks Labor Movement

Frankensteen said that he had been offered several opportunities which would enable him to enjoy a fuller family life, but said that he had not yet decided what his future work would be. He said "the labor movement has been very good to me" and expressed his appreciation and thanks to his friends for their support and cooperation.

Detroit UAW-CIO officials are speculating upon Frankensteen's successor with Richard T. Leonard reported to have the backing of President R. J. Thomas for the vacancy. Leonard was an unsuccessful candidate for the vice-presidency when he was defeated by Walter P. Reuther at the Grand Rapids convention in 1944.

District PAC Is Organized

Pick Officers, Plan Aggressive Campaign

Organization of the 9th Ohio Congressional district by the Political Action Committee-CIO was completed by delegates from Lucas and Ottawa Co. PAC groups in a meeting held at Local 12 headquarters, Feb. 17.

Plans for a vigorous congressional campaign were made by the 22 delegates who set up the district PAC.

Eleven delegates from each country will make up an executive board. A group of six officers were elected to serve for one year. Following were named:

Clayton Rusch, Toledo, chairman; Thomas Kenny, Port Clinton, vice-chairman; Leroy Neff, Port Clinton, vice-chairman; Frank Kowalski, Toledo, treasurer; Ted Wierzaba, Port Clinton, recording secretary. Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director was named manager and Orville Beemer, district director.

Other Lucas Co. PAC representatives on the congressional board are Barton Dederman, William Healey, Rubin Harper, Kenneth O'Brien, Frank Molik, Charles Johnson, Don Blair, Ollie Pecord and Anthony Eckert.

Local 12 Elects Officers Today

Annual election of officers of Local 12, UAW-CIO will take place today and tomorrow at Local 12 headquarters, 425 Winthrop St.

Voting will be in Parlor "A". Hours for voting are from 9:00 a. m. to 8:30 p. m. today and from 9:00 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. Saturday.

To be eligible to vote members must present their 1946 membership cards.

Charles Heebsch, Willys-Overland Unit is chairman and William Healey of the Buckeye Paint Unit secretary of the election committee.

Free Show

Local 12 stewards will be treated to a five act show at their regular monthly meeting which will be held at Local 12 headquarters tonight it was announced by Wilbert Rule, Local 12 recreation director.

Eddie Hanf of the Hanf School of Dancing will be Master of Ceremonies and present the acts.

Tax Petitions Near Deadline

PAC Calls For Speedy Completion of Task

Calling for a speedy completion of the task of securing sufficient signatures to place the payroll tax ordinance on the ballot, PAC officials early this week revealed that slightly more than 5000 names had already been secured and said it would require redoubled efforts to complete the task in the time remaining

Petitions must contain nearly 10,000 valid signatures and be filed with the clerk of city council on or before Feb. 28.

The goal set for signatures was 20,000. Approximately 700 petitions are now being circulated throughout the city. PAC official are urging all those who have petitions to return them immediately to the committee office, Room 410, Local 12 headquarters.

PAC will ask that the referendum on the petition be placed on the ballot in the May 7 primary election.

Wage Earner Reports UAW Policy Change

DETROIT, Feb. 18—Return of control for collecting and distribution of strike funds for General Motors strikers in following a change of policy by UAW-CIO locals was turned over to the Locals themselves, the Strike Strategy Committee of the International union, it was reported in the current issue of The Wage Earner.

The change was brought about says the Catholic labor paper by complaints about dispensing the fund.

George F. Addes, union secretary-treasurer is reported by the Wage Earner to have said that the change was reluctantly made.

It Happens In Toledo Too

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 — (LPA) — Nine people living in a single room sounds like a slum or tenement in a crowded American city, yet Honolulu reports that, due to the influx of postwar immigration, such conditions are now true of the once-carefree land of the Hula. An appeal was made last week to Housing Expediter Wyatt to empower use of military surplus husing now on the islands to correct the deplorable situation.

Case Bill Eyed By Hostile Senate

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 — (LPA) — The battle over the notorious Case anti-labor bill shifted to the Senate this week, with the likelihood that it will wind up in the legislative "graveyard" of that chamber.

Hearings on the measure, which previously was railroaded through the House by a 258 to 155 majority, started Tuesday before the Senate Committee on Education and Labor, most of the members of which are antagonistic from the outset against such repressive legislation.

As a matter of fact, all that the House accomplished by steam-rolling through the vicious Case bill was to delay action on moderate labor legislation. The Senate committtee had been all set to report out a bill providing for strengthened mediation and conciliation services, topped off by emergency "fact-finding" boards.

However, the sudden arrival of the Case proposal caused a shift in the committee's plans. It decided to defer action until hearings could be held on the House proposition.

Labor's First Chance

At these hearings, leaders of organized labor, as well as other progressive forces, are to get their first chance to air their opposition to straitjacketing legislation on the othe order of the Case bill. They were given no such opportunity on the House side.

Reports accumulated from the House this week that many Republicans are already regretting their alliance with the Dixie sweatshop Democrats. A roll call vote was taken on the Case bill, and now their anti-labor position is down in black and white.

One leading House Republican—Albert J. Engel of Michigan—has sounded a significant warning that his party will rue the day it lined up so heavily for the Case bill, with its sweeping restrictions on strikes and other legitimate labor activities, its repeal of the Norris-LaGuardia anti-injunction act safeguards, its provisions for damage suits against unions and its other "union-busting" sections.

"We have taken a political beating in every election from 1932 thrugh 1944," he pointed out. "Seven times we have hit the political mat. The main reason has been because we have had practically no labor support.

Only 33 Republicans cast ballots against the Case bill in the House, while 149 voted for it. However, there were signc this week that Republicans in the Senate would try to undo the damage and "bail out" their House colleagues by killing the Case bill there. This was indicated by the fact that even such a conservative GOP-er as Sen. Robert Taft of Ohio denounced the bill.

CIO Endorses Vet League

READING, Pa., Feb. 18 — (LPA) — The CIO Industrial Union Council of Berks County, Pa., one of the centers of the steel strike, voted unanimously last week to endorse the Veterans League of America and urge ex-servicement to join that organization.

The council asserted that "recent developments show that the veteran in the labor movement poses, at times, a special problem and that to solve that problem an organization of union veterans is necessary. Such an organization," the council said, "has been created and has fought in the present strike situation for the rights of veterans and for the common goal of all. . .

The Berks County Industrial Union Council endorses the Veterans League of America as its instrument for union veterans and urges its eligible members in Berks County to join it."

Skilled Council To Hold Meeting

Members of the Greater Toledo Tool, Die, Construction and Maintenance Workers' Council-UAW-CIO employed on second trick will hold their regular monthly meeting at Local 12 headquarters, Monday, Feb. 21 at 10:00 a. m.

Those who are in the Council are urged to come and bring a fellow worker.

Gosser To Lead W-O Delegates

Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director will lead the Willys-Overland Unit at the International union convention which will be held in Atlantic City, March 25 through March 30. Director Gosser and 15 other delegates were chosen at an election held at Local 12 headquarters, Feb. 15, 16.

Other delegates elected who will attend the Atlantic City meeting are:

Melvin Schutz, Anthony Pacholski, Homer Avery, Ray Wale, Peter Williams, Stanley Rockicki, Delbert Hune, Leighton Lamb, Anthony Kerwicz, Don Blair, Leroy Stengel.

Stanley Pawlicki, Roy Sautter, Harold Pearson and Tommy Gray.

10,000,000 Killed In Combat

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 — (LPA) — Ten million soldiers and sailors were killed in combat in World War II, 2,000,000 more than in World War I, American statisticians disclosed last week. Germany lost 3,250,000; Russia more than 3,000,000; Japan 1,500,000. Axis losses totaled about 5,200,00 and those of the United Nations about 4,500,000.

Legion Takes Position Against Labor Unions

Union Legionnaires Expose Their Organization's Line

CHICAGO, Feb. 19 — (LPA) — The American Legion's reactionary and anti-labor line on crucial national issues was exposed last week by a group of its own members, the Nat'l Conference of Union Labor Legionnaires.

On questions of superseniority, peacetime conscription and deportation of refugees the Legion has taken a position opposed to the progressive viewpoint of organized labor, it was shown. The conlabor, it was shown.

The conference bitterly assailed the Legion's deportation resolution pointing out that most of the scientists working for the U. S. on the atomic bomb will have to be returned "promptly to the countries from whence they came." In addition, said the conference:

"Many of our heroes will have to be yanked out o. the service or out of civilian life and returned 'promptly to the countries from where they came.' We suppose the dead heroes buried on Iwo Jima, Guadalcanal, Italy, Germany and hundreds of other places will have to be dug up and returned 'promptly to the countries from when they came.'

Chemists and physicians and surgeons will to stop in the midst of their life-saving discoveries, and in the midst of operations, and be returned 'promptly to the countries from whence they came'."

Superseniority Endorsed

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Anti-Union Plotting Charges Are Probed

GM's Wilson Confesses Secret New York Meeting

DETROIT, Feb. 18 — (LPA) — Charges of a big business conspiracy to smash American unionism and defeat labor's demands for wage raises found impressive substantiation last week when General Motors President Charles E. Wilson confessed to a secret New York meeting of a dozen of the nation's most powerful industrialists.

"We were all looking down the same gun," Wilson admitted under questioning at a Natl. Labor Relations Board hearing where GM stands charged with refusal to bargain in good faith with the United Auto Workers-CIO.

Some of the companies represented were: U. S. Steel, Bethlehem Steel, General Electric, Westinghouse, GM, **Libby-Owens-Ford**, American Rolling Mills, and members of the meat packing industry.

The meeting was held Jan. 9 at the Waldorf-Astoria, and was a completely innocent affair during which "We just discussed what a hell of a shape we were in," Wilson said, adding: "No agreements came out of the meeting."

Morse Asks Inquiry

(In Washington, disclosure of the secret conference gave new impetus to a demand by Sen. Wayne Morse (R. Ore.) and four other senators for a comprehensive inquiry into the "basic causes and economic factors" behind the current wave of labor unrest. Sen. Kilgore (D. W. Va.) declared that the revelation provided "added incentive for an immediate investigation of the whole picture by the Senate Education & Labor Committee."

Wilson's violent anti-labor prejudices became increasingly evident as the questioning continued. He expressed regret that the big brains who attended the January meeting "can't make the decisions for the country."

Maintenance of membership was condemned by the $354,000-a-year GM president because it was a form of "compulsory unionism." Wilson also commended a pamphlet by BM economist Stephen DuBrul, one of the directors of the union-busting Society of Sentinels, which said, "For my part, I simply cannot conceive of any tolerable or enduring order in which there exists widespread organization of workers along occupational, industrial or functional lines."

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100,000 people at the Lincoln Memorial.

Most characteristic of his career however was the issue which finally led to his withdrawal from his 13-year cabinet post—the longest uninterrupted cabinet tenure in American history.

He incured the wrath of President Truman and the powerful oil interests of the country by testifying that Edwin W. Pauley, Democratic national treasurer and Truman nominee for undersecretary of the Navy, had offered him "the rawest proposition" he ever heard. Pauley, he declared, had suggested that if the government withdrew its suit claiming title to billions of dollars worth of tidelands oil properties the petroleum industry would contribute several hundred thousand dollars to the Democratic campaign fund.

Congressmen, liberals and labor leaders could find no word of disagreement with the editorial statement of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch which declared:

"The resignation of Secretary of the Interior Ickes is a humiliating experience for Harry Truman, for the fine public servant who is leaving the cabinet has felt obliged to read a lesson in the basic morality of public office to the President of the United States. It is a humiliating experience for the country because the lesson was needed."

Gosser Announces Shop Wage Hikes

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Word that Commercial Metals Treating would soon undertake an expansion program and that all those who have been laid off would be recalled to work by March 1 gives union members a bright picture of the future of this company.

At the present time, the company is erecting a new one-story building on Tracy Street 146x122 feet which will augment its present building.

A portable overhead irrigation system sold under the trade name of "Waterfall" will be manufactured on a stepped up production scale. The product which has been under process of manufacture for a short time has attracted international attention and world-wide sale is anticipated.

Ringing Doorbells Needed--Wallace

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atomic energy commission completely in the hands of the electorate and its chosen representatives.

The McMahon bill stands for the traditional principle of civilian control over military matters — which has always guarded against military domination or dictatorship.

The McMahon bill best provides for the development of the peacetime uses of atomic energy through the channels of free enterprise under careful government control and licensing. It best provides for the utilization of atomic energy for the betterment of all the peoples of the world."

FTA Rejects Offer

PHILADELPHIA (LPA) — Appeasement to the tune of 10c an hour, offered by management instead of the 25c demanded, was turned down last week by the Food, Tobacco & Agricultural Workers Union-CIO in its four month old strike against the American Tobacco Co. for the wage hike and a closed shop.

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even despite the opposition of labor speakers and leaders of the Natl. Cnference. Peacetime conscription was demanded even though Lewis Hines, AFL legislative representative, called it a "class and caste system" charging that sons of working men would be forced to take 12 full months of training while those who could afford to go to college wuld be given the chance to become officers or work in school or industry.

Noting several achievements by the Legion the union members, who now have 134 posts throughout the country, declared that "All this, however, is lost in the well of reaction. Labor must fight this reaction by co-ordinating progressive strength withi nthe Legion . . ."

Bowles Pledges 'No Retreat'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 — (LPA) — "There will be no retreat to a new line on prices and rents," newly appointed Economic Stabilization director Chester Bowles insisted in his first meeting with the press after President Truman's announcement.

Refusing repeatedly to answer questions about the effect of the orders on steel, meat, auto, and other industries where industry-wide disputes over wages and prices are now in progress, Bowles did say that only in metal-using industries did he think that wage raises would have a substantial effect on consumers's prices.

He admitted that the majority of industries could absorb wage increases, rather than passing them on to consumers.

Bowles On Inflation

"Let's get it unmistakably clear," Bowles said, "that all-out production is the only answer to inflation. But let's get it equally clear that inflation is not the answer to production. Price adjustments can be used only as a last resort."

"Clearly Congress intended that the 2nd War Powers Act be vigorously used wherever necessary to maintain balance and to stimulate the flow of goods."

Bowles paid high tribute to his successor as head of OPA, Paul A. Porter.

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ed conflicted with the selfish interests of those who had Him put to death. They were even able to buy His betrayal by one of His followers for thirty paltry silver coins.

CONSTANT STRUGGLE

History is full of incidents of this constant struggle to keep knowledge and truth from people. Back of every one of these incidents we see the abject, unreasoning, craven, and cowardly fear that truth and knowledge will block selfish purposes.

In Ireland, in the days of the infamous penal laws, people were executed or transported to penal colonies for such heinous crimes as speaking their own language, teaching children to read and write, spreading news, and wearing their own country's color.

Even in this great country of ours whose very foundation is built on "self evident truths", people attempt to keep truth and knowledge from the public, becloud issues, and, at times, because they control the major avenues of public information to make situations grow where no such situations exist.

We see evidences of this in the handling of current strike news by our public press and radio. The main drive of these great instruments of public knowledge at the beginning of the GM strike was to instill in the collective mind of the public the idea that the strikers were selfish, unprincipled brigands attempting to wring from the American public more than they were entitled to.

IDEAS EXPLODED

As time went on these ideas were exploded, because even a heavy blanket of adverse publicity and expenditure of millions couldn't prevent the real truth from gradually seeping out to the public in a democracy. If you want proof, go to the public library and read the papers of last November and those of today. The change has been subtle and they haven't given up the attempt to discredit the American worker and his Union, but they have been forced by the weight of public opinion to change their tone. These papers are published by men who like to stand in front of their mirrors, thump their chests, and exlaim, "We are the moulders of public opinion."

It is a sad thing that even in Unions attempts are sometimes made to keep truth and knowledge from the people. Unions are made up of humans and are therefore subject to the frailties of humanity.

Unions can be and are powerful influences, so it is inevitable that there will be vieing for control. This is right and proper so long as the opposing sides present their points of view in a free and open manner.

When any attempt is made to prevent people from hearing all the issues or from meeting and listening to the opposite side, there can be only one conclusion drawn, that the opposite view must be the right one and that craven fear motivates the prevention of imparting knowledge to the people.

I have heard that a group in one of our shops passed a false notice announcing the cancellation of the meeting at which Walter Reuther appeared and very lucidly and to the point informed the people of the issues of the day. I am sorry that such a thing occurred. It is my sincere hope that its motive was only a fear that position might be jeopardized and not "thirty pieces of silver."

Steel Strike Is Settled; Truman Wage Plan Used

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constitute the largest wage raise in the history of the company.

Announcement of the end of the strike came from White House press secretary Charles G. Ross who met newspaper men in the lobby of the Hotel Carlton and escorted them to the steel corporation's suite where the negotiations had been conducted.

Reconversion Director Snyder made the announcement of the end of the strike. With him was Secretary of Labor Schwellenbach and John R. Steelman, assistant to the President.

Director Snyder expressed the satisfaction of the President and his appreciation to CIO President Philip Murray and U. S. Steel's President Fairless who had conducted the original negotiations.

It was announced that work would be resumed on Monday.

Raise Steel Price

The compromise offer and acceptance were based upon President's formula announced previous to the announcement of the ending of the strike. Principal ingredient was a raise of more than $5 a ton in the price of steel. The steel corporations had asked for $13.50 while the OPA was willing to grant $2.50 prior to the compromise.

President Truman characterized the increase in the price of steel a "bulge in the old line" which could be prevented from becoming an inflationary breakthrough.

After weeks of highly secret conferences, a complete rehauling of the Administration's machinery for "holding the line" against inflation was announced by President Truman last week.

Wartime wage control machinery was reestablished, through with less rigid rules covering price rises and wage boosts.

Chester Bowles, former OPA head, was appointed Director of Economic Stabilization, a post abolished by Truman after V-J day.

John C. Collett, now Economic Stabilizer under John W. Snyder, Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion, is expected to return to his Federal judgeship in Missouri.

Steel Given Boost

Truman said that an average $5-a-ton price boost had been offered to the steel industry as the price for settlement of the crippling strike of 750,000 steel workers.

Paul A. Porter, former chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, and father of the highly successful OPA rent control program, returns to OPA as administrator, replacing Bowles.

The first reaction of labor spokesmen here was one of surprise at the scope and tightness of the wage controls reimposed, and considerable resentment at the fact that they had not been consulted on its final form.

Taken By Surprise

Other Washington observers, including veteran newspapermen covering wage and price issues all during the war, were also taken by surprise by the announcement from the White House at 9:30 last Thursday evening.

The battle between the supporters of "a little inflation" including OWMR director Snyder, and those who wanted the price line held against the demands of industry for "relief," led by Bowles, was never officially acknoweledged by the White House. In the end, neither side claimed a complete victory, and both Bowles and Truman made it clear that the steel price offer presented a dangerous "bulge" in the price line which must not be allowed to spread further.

Another order is to follow, Truman said, on the exact powers which Bowles will have in his new job. Major issue is whether or not Bowles' orders can be vetoed by Snyder.

Truman States

Truman, in stating the reasons for his new orders, said:

"It is imperative that production in great volume be accomplished. We face real difficulties. Many workers have found their weekly pay greatly reduced. Many companies, squeezed between costs and prices, are not in a position to wait through a six months' period as heretofore required before seeking price adjustments.

Authorize Wage Increases

"I am modifying our wage-price policy to permit wage increases within certain limits and to permit any industry placed in a hardship position by an approved increase to seek price adjustment without waiting until the end of a six months test period, as previously required.

"I am authorizing the Natl. Wage Stabilization Board to approve any wage or salary increase or part thereof, which is found to be consistant with the general pattern of wage or salary adjustments established in the industry or local labor market area since Aug. 18, 1945. Where there is no such general pattern, provision is made for the approval of increases found necessary to eliminate gross inequities as between related industries, plants, or of classifications, or to correct substandards of living or to correct disparities between the increase in wage or salary since Jan. 1941, and the increase in the cost of living between that date and September 1945."

Speaking directly contrary to the views of Snyder and Civilian Production Administrator John Small, Truman stated that "priorities and allocations powers will be used vigorously wherever necessary to prevent increases in prices. There will be a strict enforcement of inventory controls. The resources of the Treasury and Judistice Departments will be called upon when necessary to assist in enforcing these controls."

Turns To Congress

Turning his attention to Congress, Truman went on "I trust that the Congress will: (1) extend the stabilization statutes without amendment and will do so with all possible speed so that there may be no question in one's mind concerning the determination of the Congress to see the fight against inflation through to the finish; (2) extend the subsidy program for another full year; (3) enact promptly the Patman bill to establish price controls over housing (present speculation in the real estate market is one of the most dangerous aspects of the present situation and one which works particular hardship on our millions of returning veterans and their families); (4) extend promptly the Second War Power Act, so that the emergency powers we found necessary during the war may continue to be exercised wherever necessary in dealing with the economic aftermath of war."

UE Accepts 18½c Wage Increase

NEW YORK, Feb. 18—(LPA) — Twenty-five thousand striking CIO electrical workers went back to work at General Motors last week with a neat 18½-an-hour raise retroactive to Nov. 7 tucked away in their new contract, but General Electric and Westinghouse, with 175,000 still out, spent thousands of dollars more for shrill anti-labor newspaper ads.

GE, the world's largest manufacturer of electrical appliances, indicated it would not budge from its original offer of 10 to 15½ an hour increases, and Westinghouse has proposed nothing better than a 45-hour week with time-and-one-half for the last five hours.

GM's 175,000 auto workers, seeking 19½c an hour increase, remained on strike and UAW President R. J. Thomas said that he was "terribly shocked" at news of the electrical settlement. The CIO United Electrical Workers, he said, had not consulted the UAW before signing the new agreement.

The UE's action "puts us in an awful spot since GM now will come to us insisting that we settle on the same terms. I think that the UE should have held out for 19½c or at least consulted us before taking less," Thomas asserted. "If they had held out, I'm sure they would have got 19½c."

Albert J. Fitzgerald, UE president, declared that "Neither GE nor Westinghouse have at any time made a wage offer which would indicate they were bargaining in good faith. UE calls upon these corporations to abandon their unpopular and uncooperative positions and in the interest of their employes and the general public to reach an agreement with our union."

End of the strike, which beban on Jan. 15, will bring GM workers an increase amounting to $1.48 a day and retroactive pay amounting to $1,250,000.

Coal Output High

WASHINGTON (LPA) — In spite of mine disasters and other difficulties, coal production since Jan. 1 has almost reached the highest wartime level, it was reported here by the Solid Fuels Administration. John L. Lewis' newly-AFL-reaffiliated United Mine Workers soon opens negotiations to replace the present contract expiring April 1.

NEW YORK (LPA) — The American Red Cross fund drive in March will be wholehea[illegible] supported by the 6,000,000 and women of CIO, Leo Perlis, director of CIO Community Services Committee, announced last week, because "normal Red Cross services will be strengthened and expanded, and new one will be developed as the need arises."

I didn't Forget to Buy Jersey ROMAN MEAL BREAD

During the hectic war years, many a woman has found her electric range a dependable ally in saving time and trouble, in meal preparation---and in retaining utmost nutrition value in the "food that fought for freedom." Many a meal was prepared in advance, placed in the oven of the electric range, and cooked to delicious tenderness while the cook herslf was absent on wartime duties.

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Big business is trying in every way to bring about inflation. It is the duty of every worker to help stop this price raise. Talk to your friends and every one you know.

Have you signed the Payroll Tax petition yet? If not, do so at once. From the amount of talk and requests for petitions this is not a CIO fight, but every workers fight to prove that no nine man council can make 300,000 people pay a tax they did not have a chance to vote on.

Homer Ramey who is supposed to represent us in Washington has done such a poor job for the workers that he should be defeated. Anyone who would vote for the Case Bill proves he does not represent labor.

Next he spouts off his mouth at a Doctors meeting and condemns the Wagner, Murray Dingell Bill that would provide us with better health insurance and hospitalization for a National Association of Medicine and an A. M. A. sponsored bill. Did you know these outfits realize millions of dollars per year by just putting their rubber stamp of approval on thousands of different things that are sold over the counters each year. Do not be fooled by their oily tongues. Write to your Congressman and Senators today and tell them to use their influence to get the Wagner, Murray bill out of the committee.

It takes a lot of guts when they label a bill that will give free lunches to our school kids as communistic. Billions have been spent to kill but when we want to spend a few millions to feed our kids then they tell us it is something imported from Russia. That is some more of their hog wash.

Toledo Stamping Notes

ELECTION RESULTS

Results of the election held Saturday, February 9, are as follows. Chairman, Ernie Jakubowski. Vice Chair, Jos. Jusczak. Sec.-Treas. Addie Van Klingeren. Committee-at-large, Pete Zebrowski, Rosalind Emerson, Ann Plichcinski and Helen Pugh.

The unit extends its thanks to the election committee for a job well done.

Some members through neglect have become suspended due to the fact they failed to report out of work to the union. Anyone who has not worked 40 hours in any one month, must go to the dues window at the headquarters and get an out of work stamp, in the last five days of that month. If you have worked 40 hours, but do not have a check coming on the second pay period of the month, your dues will be deducted the following month, together with that month's dues. BUT — if you work 40 hours in the second month and still have no check coming on the second pay period, you must go down to headquarters and pay your dues personally before the end of the month or become suspended. THIS IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY.

The company is trying to get several bowling teams organized for next season. Anyone interested or wishing to learn, see either Barbara Kohler or your scribe.

Harriet Weber had a birthday last week. How old? Your guess is as good as ours.

It has been reported that Danny Schauss was married recently. No details.

We wouldn't say that Chuck Krueger is the athletic type, but he was out seven nites running

Ragging the Scale

By Elsie Jaye

Arlan Beebe was also elected to the executive committee of our Unit. Last week his name was omitted either by me or typographical error.

7M have an occasional 200 bowler called Clarence, who likes to run his fingers thru the gals coiffure especially redheads, blondes and brunets.

Some bring the Boss apples, or maybe peaches or pears etc., but when they bring in a dog things are really going to the bow-wows, eh?

If Chas. "Smitty" Smith is a little hard to get along with this last week, blame it on the Sidewalk Interview. Seems Mrs. Smith made the air-waves via same.

If you have noticed the long pan of Geo. Timm, blame it on the loss of his right hand girl, Helen Cymbola, who left him Feb. 1st, to take over the milking of eggs gathering while the ole man does the income tax paying.

Ever watch the farewells of Mr. and Mrs. Detholff and Chris and Bill Machaterre at the parting of the ways going to work? Nice going, and may they keep it up.

Leonard Tomaszewski is scared of kidnapers now that he's making big dough.

Well now it can be told, in part at least. If your foreman was missing from the Dept. for a while and then came back with a unhappy look, he was probably being re-classified.

Just as a parting shot, doesn't it make you feel good to know that your luck-a-month has done so much good lately? The Steel strike is settled, probably the GM by the time you read this, the new minimum wage law looks in the bag. But to me another Bill is getting more and more support, the Wagner Murray Dingell Bill, which, if passed will probably be one of the most used and appreciated rights of Labor since the Strike clause.

We wish a speedy recovery and return to work of George Schaeffer of Material Control who is in the hospital for observation.

"Give Unto Us Our..."

Homeless, hopeless, starving European refugees pause by the roadside to eat whatever scraps of food they have been able to find. Many hundreds of thousands of stricken people like these would be dead today if it were not for the contributions of UNRRA and the gifts of American labor. This scene is taken from a new film, Food, Secret of the Peace, issued by the Canadian National Film Board and now available for showing in trade union halls in the U. S. for only a small shipping charge. (LPA)

Canco Unit Opener

By Carmen Nader

It seems we have a few girls in the shop who don't have the right bringing up in regard to respecting their elders. Remember girls, these women are working nights just so that you are able to work at all. So let's cut out the sassy talk and remarks. When you are a little older you will realize what they mean.

Poor Andy Zapiecki is just about ready for the booby hatch wagon. He just can't comprehend some of the motions made by some of the people on the first floor. Before long, Andy, you will be making the same motions.

Anybody desiring to have a guard made for something precious, see Benny Macy.

Larry Knannlein has found an effective way to keep the people at their machines. He experimented with it the other day using me as the guinea pig. He merely tied me to the welder —it works.

INFORMATION

Your reporter plus several hundred other people would like to know if our plant is used solely to manufacture containers or whether it is a prep school for the "poor house".

HAPPY DAYS

Frances Kachelek is looking happier these days and rightfully so. Her husband was discharged from the Army and they have started to live again. Good luck to you both.

Bob Zerbey is really chesty these days because he's a grandpa. Up to this time all his grandchildren had been girls. But now he is a genuine grandpappy.

News has reached us that the management has pressured our Chairman to a point that he was polishing the brass in his department. If they want pressure maybe we should give them some, eh! A little pressure properly applied will send "Charlie McCarthy" on his way and maybe we will get a plant manager with something on the ball. He is about as impressive as he is big and we are badly in need of a change.

ELECTIONS

Don't forget to get down to the local and vote in the local election and the unit election this Friday and Saturday.

Porcelain Scribe

This column wishes to welcome to Porcelain Unit, Local 12 to potential membership in a growing Unit, James O'Toole, Crayton Switzer, Dale Stalker, Chas. Wells, W. Friley, and S. Verson. It is hoped these people will contribute all that they can to keeping this unit strong.

Rumor has it that said Johnny Kuzek is quite a bowler. Don't believe everything you heard.

The reason Mitch is so happy these days is that his chickens are laying eggs on a mass production scale.

Herman is going to shave his lip guard. To Bob:—see Matches for advice on gaining weight so you will be able to get into the Army.

Congratulations to John Pawlicki who had an addition to his family January 20.

Walter Miller also had a blessed event — also a girl.

There is a character in the shipping room who would ask you if you were hurt after a train had hit you.

Two girls in the hand-brushing department who use their heads for something besides a hat rack — meaning Mary and Ruth who use the respirators to protect themselves from harmful dust while hand brushing.

The Steel strike has been settled and General Motors is about settled too. All well and good if there had been a substantial gain for organized labor. In the sense that the combined strength of two of the largest corporations could not break the back of organized labor the benefits that the CIO gains are unlimited.

What is definitely proven is the fact that there is a need of all of us to join PAC which reflects the necessity for independent political action.

The next meeting of the Porcelain Unit of Local 12 will be held on the 23rd of Feb. at Local 12 headquarters, Winthrop and Ashland. Nominations for officers will be in order at this meeting.

Local 8 of the Southern Fur Trappers has been given a charter by the Intl Fur & Leather Workers-CIO in New Orleans. The muskrats, claiming original jurisdiction, are threatening to strike—for the deep swamps.

Plaskon Powder Pounders

Big News! We did manage to get a 10 per cent raise from the company. Imagine that! But good.

The maintenance crew has a new foreman. Ted is tops they say. Its about time they got a break. Maybe he can smooth out the wrinkles which exist between production and maintenance.

Remember the 10 who dropped out of the Unit on the strength of the "escape clause"? Half of them went back in and have inquired about fines etc. The other five still have that glassy stare. They grabbed for back pay and wages though that the union got for the other workers. Maybe they'll come through after while.

Nearly all the returned servicemen have signed up in the Unit. The lads learned the value of organization in the army.

One of the five escapees refused to give to our soldier fund.

We have a few hungry guys who would work 24 hours a day if they could. What's Sunday to them? Another day to make money and let their families get along without them even one day a week. Ain't it awful that some guys must work 365 days a year to exist.

For old timers. — "Plaskon, when we first started picked men up out of the street and made respectable citizens out of them." So you see fellows that we were just a gang of gutter snipes. Guess who said this. The guy makes more than a mere 97 cents an hour.

Airway Unit Airings

Bobby soxers are not the only ones who swoon over crooners. All I heard Monday was Vaughn Monroe. Are you blushing girls?

Fellas please read twice — While working here and there, I have met a lot of pretty girls, but you have to go a long way to beat little Mary King of Department 14.

How one person can eat five sandwiches for lunch and still remain so slim. Could that be Army training, Dick?

Jim Dennis vice-chairman of Airway Unit was elected to attend the UAW convention held in Atlantic City. We wish to thank the Election Committee for their splendid cooperation.

Bowling League Note — You must have some interesting news. What's the matter with you, Bob, you should know lots of gossip.

Attention Union members!—Have you forgotten PAC? Another week has gone by and we are still not 100%. That's not like Air-Way—lets get busy.

Howard of Inspection Dept. is quite a character. He had every one in Dept. 10 agog; was walking around with an electric light bulb in his hand, that would light up and black out at his command.

Air B had another "Lost Weekend," but before closing I wish to remind you that next Monday, Feb. 18, is our monthly unit meeting.

Don't fail to attend; and don't forget your PAC tickets. Well bye-bye till next time.

Party for all World War II Vets—Place: Polonia Hall at Junction and Vance St. at 7:30 to 2:00, March 1st. Come and have a good time. It won't cost you a cent.

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National Supply Unit News

By Johnny McKnight

William Morris, dept. 36, liked the army well enough that he quit the shop and re-enlisted.

"Dutch" Schliebner, dept. 85, is getting along fine in Robinwood hospital after an operation. We hope to see him back on the job soon.

Ray Trimmer Jr. is back on the job again in tool crib 3 after serving in the armed forces for over three years.

Notice to servicemen! Please give your name and address to your steward or committeeman who will turn it over to Ed Fitzgerald, our representative on the servicemen's committee. Ed would like to get his records up to date so he can send announcements of servicemen's meetings to you boys.

This is another appeal to our membership to go down to Local 12 and pay the General Motors assessment. This money is greatly needed for a good cause. Our unit is far behind in this obligation. Don't forget is is our obligation to give support to the men who are walking the picket line.

After being kicked around by "Big Shot" Forrester for four years, Brother Art Cowell is working in the welding department where he should be on the road to making good. But alas, that is not to be. He just moved in under the supervision of the second biggest heel in the shop, J. McClosky. One advantage that you have, Art, is that you won't have to live in Trilby. Take it easy, Jim, you are becoming unpopular very fast, and no matter how hard you try, you will never reach Eyler's and Ringman's infamous pedestal for unpopularity.

Another issue to be taken up at our wage negotiations meeting. The three cents per hour cut for the lathe men in dept. 37. This is a direct violation of our contract with no strings attached.

The Standard Bulletin

Local 497—Standard Products—Port Clinton

Nominees for delegates to the UAW-CIO Atlantic City convention will be elected Feb. 26, at union hall, 112 W. 2nd St. Nominees are:

Clifford Francks, Jack Shaw, Thomas Kinney, Dorsey Carr, Roy Rahm, Alex Bergeman, Leroy Neff, Sr., Ed Williams and John Zibert.

Two delegates and alternates will be chosen.

Luke Von Glahn has returned to the Ridge following his hospital stay.

The Auxiliary is doing a good job and not forgetting PAC. Results are beginning to show.

Pay your buck and get active in PAC.

Lawrence Skinner's car was parked across the highway from that certain spot early Saturday ayem.

Tom Kinney was the man of mystery several days last week ...some of those absent acct. of illness are Dorsey Carr, Christ Laubecker, Jesse Neville, Mary Sotak, Josephine Cipiti, Edna Brown, Anna Carter, Esther Hansen, Mary Marshall, Margaret Cole, Lillian Henderson, Althea Ridly and Mary Below.

Veronica Ihnot says the captain has completed arrangements for that wedding that will fetch her a new daughter.

If the big shots performed their safety first stuff the same way they talk about it, accidents in our plant would be held to a minimum. Maybe they'll learn in time, but can we afford to wait that long?

Power Strike Closes Plants

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 18 — (LPA) — A 19-hour strike of 3400 light and power workers, members of the Indepedent Ass'n of Duquesne Light Co., Employes, cut Pittsburgh's electrical power supply in half last week and caused the closing of schools, factories, office buildings and mines.

The walkout, which occurred when the company countered the union's demand for a 20% increase with a 7½% offer, came to an end after affecting an estimated 1,500,000 persons in the 817-square-mile Pittsburgh industrial area.

Transit Strike Comes to End

PHILADELPHIA Feb. 18 — (LPA)—A 48-hour strike which paralyzed Philadelphia's transit system last week was settled when agreement was reached between the CIO Transport Workers Union and the Philadelphia Transportation Company.

The walkout of nearly 10,000 maintenance and operating workers, seeking a $2-a-day wage increase, a closed shop and an improved pension plan, stopped the wheels of all busses and street cars which together carried more than 3,000,000 Philadelphians daily.

Do You Hate People?

NEW YORK (LPA)—Are you rich enough to hate Jews? Do you dislike government projects that help prevent unemployment? Do you disapprove of labor unions? These odd facts are inter-related, according to a survey in the February Fortune magazine, which discloses that 1) anti-Semitism increases with wealth; 2) is strongest in the Northeast and Middle West; 3) is strongest in large cities; 4) is strongest among the age-group 35 to 49; 5) runs parallel with hostility to Great Britain and Russia; 6) runs parallel with disapproval of large-scale government work projects to help prevent unemployment, and of labor unions; and that 7) anti-Semites talk louder and faster than most Americans. However, altogether the Jew-haters among us are only a noisy 8.9%.

The Crib Diaper Service is being sued by the OPA for $4320 because of overcharging the public. We never knew, says the Minneapolis Labor Review, that diapers could also kick back.

Capital Hits New Heights

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19 — (LPA) — American industry's net working capital reached an all-time high of $50,900,000,000 during the third quarter of last year, the Securities & Exchange Commission revealed last week.

While corporations throughout the country were protesting that they could not afford wage raises demanded by their employes they were increasing their working capital $2,900,000,000 — the highest rate in history — during July, August and September.

The SEC survey showed that of the $2,900,000,000 jump the corporations obtained $1,600,000,000 in tax refunds. An increase of $1,900,000,000 of cash on hand and in banks pushed the total of this kind of assets to a record-breaking total of $27,700,000,000.

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Prices and Wages

Settlement of the steelworkers strike by the expedient of granting a substantial price increase to the steel corporations proves that the strike was a good thing—for the steel companies.

Wage increases granted to the steelworkers and other unions cannot be evaluated except in the light of the workers' experience in the next few months based upon the volumn of goods their wages will purchase. On the other hand, the corporations will be able to get an accurate estimate of their profits through their accounting systems.

If the wage increases simply mean that the workers will be handling larger sums of money without substantial increase in the volumn of goods which they will be able to purchase, the current wage increases will mean little or nothing to them and will not contribute to a stable economy.

If the price increases enable the corporations to not only compensate themselves for the wage increases which are being granted at this time, but to continue piling up large profits, ultimate surpluses leading to economic stagnation will eventuate.

Wage and price increases granted simultaneously cannot solve the problem of maintaining a healthy economy in the face of the refusal of the corporations to open their books to scrutiny on the grounds that the books are the sole prerogative of management.

We cannot secure and maintain the proper balance between production and distribution without knowing all the factors which play their part in the complete industrial business picture.

The stage is all set and the signal about to be given for one of the greatest peacetime production drives this nation has ever experienced. The tools are ready, the market exists, labor is ready, but the drive can be the great push which may again send us down into an economic tailspin which we can ill afford to chance.

Unless the workers who are also the consumers are able to purchase in sufficiently large enough volumn to prevent a surplus of commodities from glutting the market, the rapidly approaching full scale production will be but a temporary boom and we shall be hastening the day of economic reckoning.

As matters now stand, wages and prices seem to be on a trial and error basis with nearly everyone confused, except in the certainty that imbalance between the two factors will surely hurl us into the abyss of another drepression.

Ickes Resignation

Resignation of Harold Ickes after 13 years service in the cabinet, while regretted by labor and liberal and progressive forces in this country is not without its satisfying aspects.

It is indeed inspiring to see any man, particularly one high in the administration, rise in his just indignation and condemn the moral aspects of an appointment which smells of slimy oil and perjury. This Mr. Ickes did with very little hesitation and in the usual effective Ickes style.

In the resignation of Mr. Ickes, the country loses more than the administration, for he was an honest, conscientious and forthright individual with a penchant for saying terse and pungent things about those with whom he disagreed.

The self-styled "old curmudgeon" was respected and feared by those who had occasion to tilt words with him. His descriptions of Willke as "a simple, barefoot, Wall St. banker" and of Thomas Dewey, "throwing his diaper into the ring" can be appreciated by the members of the UAW-CIO who had occasion to hear him describe the Republican party in an address in 1944 before the Grand Rapids Convention.

Under the circumstances which existed in the administration and which led to his resignation, we believe that Harold Ickes will be of more value to the country on the outside looking in, than had he swallowed his feelings in order to maintain his high position.

At the present time, Mr. Ickes is a member of the committee which was organized to aid the GM strikers, proof sufficient that in his person labor has a friend who is not only articulate, but who can and will say things and say them so they stick.

We wish Mr. Ickes many years more of life and feel certain that there are many more acidulous and true words which will come from his sharp tongue and facile pen.

Political Action

by Clayton Rusch
Chairman of the Political Action Committee

The Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers is spending a lot of money putting full page ads in all the papers. These adds ask the people to write to their Congressmen in support of the legislative program of the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers and the program is represented as a means to bring about prosperity and plenty.

Their program is very simple. It consists of three points. These are 1) legislation to prohibit strikes. 2) abolition of government spending 3) abolition of price control.

They even ask the readers to send for a little booklet which they contend explains how price control causes inflation. This latter point is indeed interesting. To parallel it, someone would have to write a book on how excessive rainfall causes draught. Or how a prolonged draught causes a flood.

Let us discuss point one, the prohibition of strikes. To begin with the labor movement is and always has been desirous of preventing strikes. The way to prevent them however, is to remove the causes. The causes are low wages, long hours, bad working conditions, and a stubborn attitude on the part of management.

GUIDING RULES

The labor movement has four guiding rules to evaluate all strikes. These are 1) The conditions must be intolerable 2) other means of settling the dispute must be exhausted 3) The harm which can come to the people affected must be less than the good brought about by the success of the strike 4) The strike must have some chance of success.

CIO Unions have constitutional proceedures which assure that these points are met before a strike is authorized. The strikes which recently took place and those now going on in CIO Unions represent issues on which no other solution was possible. The strike weapon is only used as a last resort.

Legislation to prohibit strikes would injure the welfare of the majority of the people or the vast majority of the people have to work in order to live. Let us prevent strikes by removing the causes. To attempt to prevent them any other way is like prohibiting people from voting in order to avoid disagreements.

MISLEADING

The second point, abolition of government spending is very misleading. The kind of government spending the National Association of Manufacturers refer to is public housing, rural electrification, flood control, soil conservation and construction of public highways, parks and buildings. This type of government spending creates employment and increases purchasing power. They are NOT referring to the law which guarantees a steady income to the manufacturers so that they can afford to go on strike against the people without loss of profits. This is the infamous carry forward carry back law.

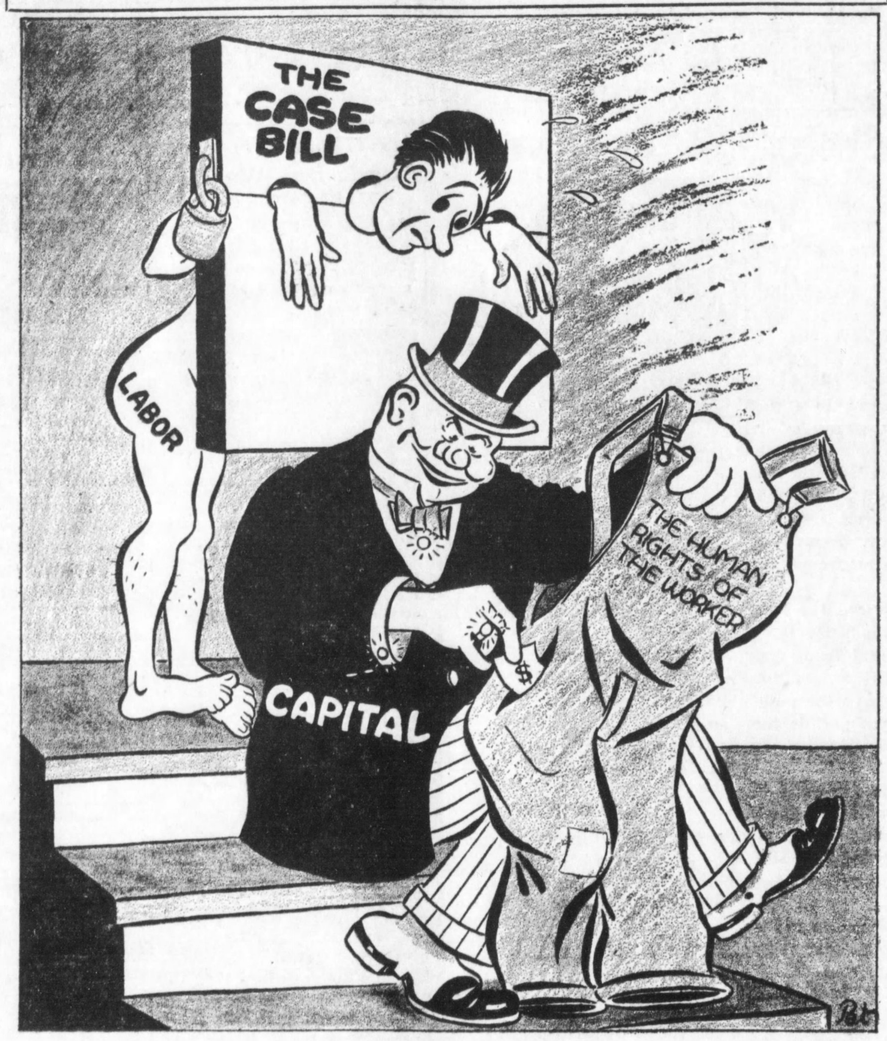
The last point is so absurd that it does not require much discussion. If prices are to run wild then all wage increases will be nullified. A dollar is only worth the amount of goods it will buy and without price control it won't buy very much. Wage increases must come out of the profits of the big corporations. The corporations can well afford higher wages without price increases. This has often been pointed out by UAW Vice-President Walter Reuther and Regional Director Richard Gosser. It is simple arithmetic and irrefutable logic.

So much for the program of the Natl. Assn. of Manufacturers. It is the program of the CIO-PAC which can bring about social conditions which are in the best interests of the whole people.

Stated in its simplest terms the program of the CIO-PAC is simply this—**Short enough hours so that everyone can have a job and high enough wages that everyone can live decently.**

Membership in the CIO-PAC is only one dollar per year. If you are not a member see the PAC representative at your local or shop or come to the PAC office at 425 Winthrop St. and join now.

Adding Insult To Injury — *by Patterson*



It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

THANKS FELLAS

Have you seen the "ruptured duck" insignia of the discharged serviceman prominently displayed in hundreds of business places carrying the legend, "we thank you" for saving the country?

Do you remember how management during the war stood up and waved the flag and made their slogan, "Everything For The Boys"?

Can't you still see some of the heart-moving bond selling posters showing the boys in the foxholes dodging bullets and calling upon the American people to dig into their pockets for the money to buy the bonds, to buy the guns and ammunition in order that democracy might not perish from the face of the earth?

But all of that patriotic, Stars and Stripes Forever, God Bless America stuff was during the war. The war is over chums.

Today, six months after the end of the war, the servicemen are out of their uniforms. They no longer are heroes to the employer, or the landlords. They have become "problems." They are just a bunch of guys wearing civilian clothes looking for jobs and a place to live. They haven't been out long enough to know their own strength and are just beginning to awaken to the fact that the stuff they listened to all during the war was just plain, unadulterated bunk. Hell, the war's over.

ON THEIR OWN

Yes pals, the war is over and you are strictly on your own. You are beginning to discover that the war-inspired oratory of the bosses, government officials, politicians and other dispensers of sonorus platitudes doesn't square up with their attitudes now that you fellows have saved the country for the big shots. And the discovery is a trifle disconcerting and shatters some of the illusions which some of you may have bulit up during the time you were sweating it out in Europe and on the stinking Pacific tropical islands.

You guys thought that you would come home to cheering crowds, blaring bands and triumphant parades through the main street of your home town. Oh yeah!

You fellows who received your wounds, lost your arms and legs and were disabled to save your country from the fate of Europe and China, returned to find a different picture than you had expected.

Did you know that when the Veterans Administration wanted to erect a hospital for the care of a lot of you guys that the residents in the vicinity of Ottawa Park rose in their indignation and fought against it on the grounds that you might transmit some diseases to their children, dogs and cats as they passed by the place?

Look pals, just the other day you heard or read about some of the residents of South Toledo protesting before City Council because the Housing Committee wanted to help some of you out with government homes to be placed in the vicinity of the Anthony Wayne Trail.

GET WISE, GUYS

Your pals, yes, your own fellow citizens complained and gave out with the same argument that the citizens living near the then proposed Ottawa Park site for the veterans hospital advanced—your living near them, sick or well, in hospitals or makeshift residences would "devaluate their property."

How do you like that stuff? Look fellows, when are you guys going to get wise? Just who the Hell won this war and who the Hell did you fight it for? Why if it wasn't for you fellows the acute housing shortage would be nothing. There probably wouldn't be any housing problem. There probably wouldn't even be many houses.

How many of these patriots who are griping about placing a lousy hut for an ex-soldier along Anthony Wayne Trail laid in the mud and water and snow and ice in the fox holes of Europe? And they tell you that your mere presence now as civilians, this time in a joint that isn't much better than the huts you lived in in the Army camps, will cause their property to lose value.

How many of these open-handed philanthropists know what it is to sweat it out in a Pacific jungle with the bugs and snakes and enemy bullets making life almost unendurable? And they say that they should locate places for you to live in vacant lots.

This is America and we are all Americans, but there are Americans and Americans and you fellows right now constitute a problem because you want jobs at decent wages and a place in which to live and raise your families that is a just trifle better than the places in which you were forced to live during your days in the armed forces.

You are not asking for too much when you ask for a job and a place to live, the only thing is that you are entirely too polite. Get wise guys.

This housing situation is one that demands prompt and effective action and you can rest assured that you will receive the complete backing of the workers of this city who sympathize with your problem and share your views.

Editor's Mail

From A Railroader

Wherever people gather we hear discussions about the Payroll Tax. Most everyone seems to feel that the incompetence of the City Council is the real issue.

As for the tax itself the real fight is against the maladministration of our city as well as the fact that business interests will surely oppose paying one per cent on their net profits and will hire lawyers to string it through endless litigation while the workers will still be forced to pay.

My particular question is the problem of collecing the tax specifically as it effects railroad workers.

Some railroad workers live outside the city. Some of their money is earned inside, some outside the city. For example, an engineer on my division living outside Toledo spends part of the day within the city limits and part outside. How can they determine what part of his work is taxable? This is true of many similar cases.

Railroads have good accounting systems but cannot set up another system just to extract one per cent for the city, so what do they do and what do the railroaders do about paying the tax?

We do not object to paying taxes that are fair and which are based on the ability to pay. We do object to giving money to an irresponsible Council which summarily rejected labor's request to place an exemption in the ordinance. No plan, regardless of its virtues can replace responsibility and a means of electing city officials which has by now proved itself a rank failure. Eliminate PR and you will find the people of Toledo ready for a sane tax program.

Yours for a better Toledo.
Harry Richardson,
215 Gibbons St.
Toledo 9, Ohio
Member-Bro. Loco. Firemen and Enginemen.

Thought For Today

Wouldn't this old world be better
If the folks we meet would say,
"I know something good about you"
And then treat us that way?

Wouldn't it be fine and gracious
If each handclasp, warm and true
Carried with it this assurance
"I know something good about you?"

Wouldn't life be lots more happy
If the good that's in us all,
Were the only thing about us
That folks bothered to recall?

Wouldn't it be good to practice
That nice way of thinking too?
You know something good about me
I know something good about you.

Author Unknown

Washington Labor Report

By Bradford V. Carter

For weeks Washington was a hothouse rumor factory. Bowles was in; Bowles was out. Price control is lost; no it's won. Steel price are to be raised $2 a ton; no, it's $4 a ton; hold it; it's $5 a ton.

Well, one day last week, as practically everybody should know, the lights burned later than usual in the White House offices on Pennsylvania Ave. When the lights were turned out, the world had been told that Chester Bowles, the knight who fought the dragon of inflation, was to be made director of the Office of Economic Stabilization. Paul Porter, of the Federal Communications Commission, was to suceed him as Price Administrator, and Judge Collett, the former Economic Stabilizer, was to go back to his Federal judgeship.

NEW POLICY

More than a job shuffling was achieved. How much more, it is difficult to make out; but a new wage-price policy was unveiled and it looks as if steel will get a $5-a-ton increase. Look for the details of the new policy elsewhere, but what it sizes up to is a policy of **controlled** wage increases and price increases which is supposed to be halfway in between a freeze policy and a "sky's the limit" policy.

One large thing can be said in its favor. It will probably mark the ending of most of the strikes. More than that I don't dare to say.

Most of the things that can be said against it arise out of the "shotgun" environment in which the policy was formulated. One didn't need to be a high-powered economist to predict that, with the end of wartime full production, there would result a reduction in take-home pay. And that the unions would not placidly sit by while the wages of their members were being drastically cut

Yet it took a series of paralyzing strikes to bring that simple fact to the eyes of the Administration. The heat of conflict is hardly ever conducive to the formulation of workable policy, but the Administration is always making important policy that way.

OFF AND ON

Limitations on construction were revoked with unseemly haste, only to be restored as a housing crisis brought the problem to the front pages. The Office af Economic Stabilization was abolished when Will Davis talked out of turn, only to be revived last week. The Natl. War Labor Board was abolished, only to have its former functions resuscitated and assigned to the new Wage Stabilization Board. In between this monotonous pattern of off-again-on-again, the staffs of the agencies have been reduced and recruitment will have to begin anew.

In all fairness, it should be said that it is doubtful if any government policy, no matter how intelligent, could have averted the main force of the strike wave, in view of management stubborness. But an unintelligent policy plus a lynch spirit in Congress has made it worse than it needed to be.

Just to show that there was no superhuman insight involved in appraising the shape of things to come, may we be immodest enough to quote from the Washington Labor Report (this column, remember) written after V-E Day; "In the opinion of economists here, a more positive policy will be required which will fill the gap in total purchasing power caused by reduction in hours of work and contraction of employment. **This positive policy must be directed at the maintenance of take-home pay.**"

It is conceivable, in other words, that it would have been possible long before V-J Day came, to have developed a maintenance of take-home pay policy which would have minimized the dislocations caused by trying to improvise such a policy in the heat of economic conflict.

ANTI-LABOR CASE

To case-the-joint is burglars' way
When planning theft of sneak foray.

In Washington, such plans are made
When bosses plan a labor raid.

That's why we should show our distaste
For efforts there to have us "CASE"d.

(MF)

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser
Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

It has been 92 days since the General Motors workers went on strike in order to secure the wage gains to which they are entitled.

In the three months that has gone by, both Ford and Chrysler have granted substantial wge increases, Fraser-Kaiser have agreed to the wage scale, the steelworkers have carried on a successful strike with wage increases and the Oil Workers and other industries have been granted raises.

Today, GM workers still walk the picket lines, not because they have failed to win a victory for all labor, but because of the stubborn refusal of the GM management to accept the inevitable.

Nobody can take it away from the GM strikers. They have carried the torch for the entire labor movement and stood watching others reap the benefits which came because of their sacrifice. They still fight on for the principles in which they believe, secure in their confidence that in the long run they cannot and will not lose.

I want to pay tribute today to the men and women of GM who have stood steadfast during the past three bitter months and stuck by their guns. This is the spirit which must move the entire labor movement without which it cannot endure.

WHO WINS

The spirit of unity and self-sacrifice which the General Motors workers have demonstrated during the time of their strike will not be lost in the months and years which lie ahead.

And while there may be some who will question who won the strike when it is over, nobody can deny that the GM strike has done more to solidify and unite the labor movement than anything that has occured in several years. We cannot consider the success of the strike merely on a dollar and cents basis, although it is important that the workers gains outweigh their losses; but in the things which the strike has given to the labor movement as a whole.

No support which we may have given the workers during these past three months can match the debt of gratitude which we owe to the GM strikers. They have carried our fight, assumed our burden and actually won for us before winning for themselves.

I want to express my own personal thanks to the strikers for the fight they have made for themselves and all workers, and believe that in expressing my own thoughts in this matter that I express the mind of the vast majority of the Auto Workers of Region 2-B. I realize that thanks are probably empty to those who have borne the brunt of the fight these past three months, but I assure all GM workers that we will not forget.

We will remember the GM strike and the greatness of those who have made our victory possible.

From The Desk

of

Melvin Schultz

President,
Local 12, UAW-CIO

The people of Ohio will soon be faced with the question of choosing a new senator to conduct their senatorial business in Washington. In all probability former Governor Bricker will be one of the candidates and is likely to be opposed by Marvin C. Harrison. It does not seem to me to be too early to start evaluating the potential candidates. I am not too well acquainted with M. Harrison or his past history to go to any length in proclaiming his virtues as far as Labor is concerned. However, the other candidate is well-known in a political sense to all of the people, or at least should be.

It is a sad state of affairs to find Mr. Bricker apparently is in favor of eliminating price control. He, also, is apparently in favor of eliminating strikes. In fact it seems that he could give Senator Taft a very good run for his money in becoming the favorite of the reactionaries and labor-baiting big boys. I don't know what his theories on eliminating strikes may be, but we should never forget that there were no strikes in Germany. There were no strikes in Italy, Japan nor in Russia. If we are to accept the way of life as it existed in these countries for the sake of eliminating strikes then I think we would be very foolish people.

The one thing which everyone should remember is that strikes are not the desire of people, but are the results of unfairness in bargaining.

There are times in everyon'e life when he must do something which he does not like to do, but nevertheless does it out of necessity. Strikes on the part of labor, like the present refusal on the part of big business to sell merchandise, are a part of the price of democracy, but in spite of this price, I believe an overwhelming majority of the people in our country still want to retain democracy. I do not feel that people whose ideas run in conformity to those which I have expressed ab are the type of people whom we should to public office. I am therefore writin this time in an attempt to wake up the voters who normally are not interested in who represents them until after the elections wh some piece of legislation is passed detriment to their interest.

It seems to me that one of the uppermos activities that every worker should have fo his own benefit is to join and participate the political functions which are designed f his benefit. Our lives, as our country, becom more highly mechanized. will become to a greater degree regulated by social laws. We should make sure that these laws are for our protection.

"Doll Face" Unfolds Package Of Song-Jammed Musical Joy

Starring Vivian Blaine, Dennis O'Keefe, Perry Como, Carmen Miranda in Top Cast

By Burny Zawodny

Twentieth Century-Fox brought its newest film musical, "Doll Face", to the screen a few weeks ago as a sneak preview for a benefit showing. The proceeds of this show went to the building of Parkview Hospital.

This film musical, which is now showing at the Paramount Theatre as a regular run, is a joyfully hilarious story that's an absorbing treat in itself.

Burny Zawodny

A brilliant all-star cast headed by Vivian Blaine, Dennis O'Keefe, Perry Como and Carmen Miranda cavort in an exciting production that is crammed with dazzling spectacle and captivating new song hits to make it one of the outstanding screen treats of the year.

"Doll Face" concerns itself with the saga of a "burleycue" specialty singer-dancer who sets her heart on legitimate stage stardom. As her adoring manager (Dennis O'Keefe) knows, Doll Face (Vivian Blaine, of course) is beautiful and talented, but—as both discover with a shock — she lacks that extra something uptown producers refer to as "culture."

With Doll Face stripped of her illusions, but not of her spirit, her manager proceeds to provide her with a formidable supply of "culture." In an ingenious literary hoax he hires a young author to ghost-write her autobiography. When the condescending literary snob begins to develop more than an academic interest in his subject, and Doll Face's book begins to reap publicity that brings star-opportunity to her door, romantic and other complications set in that sends the gay plot spinning on its way to its highly divering climax.

The fast-paced story, couched in Bryan Foy's lavish production, and highlighted by the scintillating new McHugh and Adamson song hits, provides Miss Blaine, Perry Como and Carmen Miranda (the latter two appearing as Doll Face's "burleycue" co-artists) with generous opportunities for a display of their justly-famed talents. Miss Blaine, in addition to illustrating her wonderful way with a song ("Red Hot and and Beautiful" and "Somebody's Walkin' In My Dreams") reveals herself as an accomplished dancer.

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That old professional Scotchman and veteran of the rough, Jack Benny, will stage a golf tournament on his broadcast from Palm Springs Sunday, February 24 (NBC, 7 P. M. EST.), with Rochester, as usual, holding the bag. In addition to caddying, Rochester has the job of obtaining a special golf bag big enough to hold Jack's toupees, medicines and a portable adding machine to count up Jack's score. According to Rochester, with all this stuff Jack Benny will be carrying in his bag, "it's a good thing they won't weigh the boss in before he tees off."

The rest of the Benny gang will be there, including Mary, Phil, Don and Larry, with the frankfurther salesman probably awaiting Jack in a sand trap at the 9th hole.

HOLLYWOOD STYLE

Laraine Day has had her sports wrist watch equipped to match her various costumes. She designed a catch fastened to either side of the watch, which makes it possible for vari-colored stitched linen bands to be fastened on, or emoved as the case may be. The hands are in colors to match her suits and sports clothes.

Turnabout

LANA TURNER, who has been playing more or less "incent" roles for the better t of her screen career, now s the part of a "hard an" in M-G-M's forthg filmization of the Ja Cain hair-raiser, "The P Tw n a n Always Rings

'Tokyo Rose' Under Producer's Nose

HOLLYWOOD—The screen's "Tokyo Rose," Lotus Long, has reasons to believe in the old saying, "love thy neighbor."

Lotus plays the famous female Japanese propaganda agent in Paramount's "Tokyo Rose," and during her entire screen career her neighbors are the ones who have pushed her up the ladder of fame and success.

It was Lotus' neighbor, a kindly-mannered gentleman, who used to say, when they frequently met in their block in Beverly Hills: "Young lady you should be in pictures"

Only 16-years-old at the time, Lotus knew many girls had been told that, especially in Hollywood, and she always thanked the man, smiled, and was on her way without a second thought of a screen career.

Gets Movie Break

Therefore, she naturally failed to connect him with the mysterious telephone call from MGM requesting that she report to the studio for an interview wih Hunt Stromberg, one of Hollywood's most famous producers.

However, the first person she saw when she entered Mr. Stromberg's office was her neighbor, who introduced himself as Sam Zimbalist, associate of Stromberg.

Then Stromberg came in, took one look at Lotus' beautiful and exotic face and offered her the faminine leads in "The Last of the Pagans" and "Eskimo."

It happened again when she was given her role in "Tokyo Rose."

Her husband, Jimmy Knott, is an assistant cameraman for Producers William Pine and William Thomas.. For several weeks the "Dollar Bill" producers had interviewed hundreds of actresses to play the title role in their "Tikyo Rose."

Becomes Oriental Personality

Because every serviceman in the Pacific had heard the radio personality and had a good idea how she should look, and because "Tokyo Rose" had become an American household name, Pine and Thomas knew they had to select the right actress to enact the role.

One night Lotus went to the Producer Pine was without his studio to call for her husband. automobile and when Knott learned he liver near Pine, he offered his boss-neighbor a lift home.

Broken Toe Used In Movie Fight

HOLLYWOOD — Always resourceful at staging the fights for which his action pictures are well known, Director George Marshall utilized the broken toe suffered by Don Costello during a fight sequence filmed recently with Alan Ladd and Walter Sands on Paramount's "The Blue Dahlia."

Costello suffered the broken toe when a heavy table overturned by Ladd in the melee landed on Costello's foot.

When Costello reported back on crutches, unable to stand long enough to complete the fight sequence, Marshall was forced to revise the action.

"As long as you have the broken toe," Marshall told Costello, "We might as well use it."

For the first time in his screen career, Johnny Weissmuller plays a non-Tarzan role in Paramount's "Swamp Fire" for Producers Pine and Thomas.

News and Gossip of Stage and Screen

A Brand-New, Grand-New Love Team

Judy Garland and John Hodiak form the brand-new, grand-new love team in M-G-M's new Technicolor musical-western, "The Harvey Girls," now showing at the Loew's Valentine. Judy plays a Harvey House waitress who reforms Gambler Hodiak with a song.

Hair Cropped For Wig-Wearing Role

HOLLYWOOD — Leonid Kinskey really blew his top recently.

The comedian was ordered to report to Paramount makeup department with his long blond hair closely cropped.

He got the haircut then learned he was to wear a blond wig just the color of his own hair as Rene, the palace guard who tries to figure out a suitable method of suicide for Bob Hope in Hope's new film, "Monsieur Beaucaire."

Makeup department has dictated the short haircut, Kinskey was told, so his wig would fit well.

BETTY BACK

Betty Hutton, star of Paramount's "Cross My Heart," has returned to Hollywood with her husband, Ted Briskin, after a lenghy visit in New York and Chicago.

Cherished Keepsake For Starlet's Baby

HOLLYWOOD—For the first time in 19 years, starlet Gloria DeHaven is wihtout the thin gold chain that encircled her neck. The chain bore three small gold figures, a man, a woman and a little girl. In each was an inscription. On the man was "Papa" on the woman was "Mama" and on the baby, "Gloria."

The chain was fastened about her neck on her first birthday—a gift from her mother and father.

This week she took it off for the first time and had the name Kathleen Hope engraved beneath her own name.

The necklace will be placed about her tiny daughter's neck.

Diana Lynn Prefers Hamburgers Without

HOLLYWOOD.—Diana Lynn has an allergy. Onions.

She is so alergic to them that she breaks out in a rash if she is even nearby when they are being sliced.

During a party scene in the filming of "Easy Come, Easy Go," in which Diana stars with Sonny Tufts and Barry Fitzgerald, hamburgers and soft drinks were served as refreshments. For the sake of realism, Director John Farrow called in a Paramount chef to cook hamburgers on the set.

Slices of juicy Bermuda onion were put in most of them, but a couple without were reserved for Diana's appetite.

In the excitement of the "take," though, Diana took the wrong sandwich and bit into a mouthful of onion. Like a real trouper, she didn't bat an eye, but went through the scene.

But Director Farrow had to excuse her from further scenes until she recovered.

Something New

.Fredric Bayne the popular organist of roller skating done at Berdan Ave. is also musical director of "Roller Frolicer of 1946" which will presents its show through the direction of Miss Vivian Heard from Detroit, Mich., starting Feb. 22, 23, and 24th.

Photographs Serve As Makeup Models

HOLLYWOOD.—Wally Westmore, Paramount makeup expert, asked Van Heflin and Kirk Douglas to rummage among their souvenirs and thus help him solve a makeup problem.

In "Strange Love of Martha Ivers", Hall B. Wallis production for Paramount, Darryl Hickman and Mickey Kuhn have been selected to portray Heflin and Douglas at the ages of 13 and 11 respectively.

Westmore wants to make up the boys as realistically as possibly and so asked Heflin and Douglas to bring photographs of themselves in their teens. They obliged and now Westmore is using the snapshots as models.

Apple Crates Play Big Supporting Role

HOLLYWOOD. — Prop men at Paramount were puzzled when Director George Marshall ordered 100 apple boxes for delivery to the set of the Bob Hope comedy of the 1700's, "Monsieur Beaucaire."

The boxes were not meant for use in the film. Feminine principals and extras, all attired in 18th Century gowns, can't stand up for long periods without tiring under the weight of the costumes. Marshall ordered the boxes because the girls can't sit on chairs while wearing hoop skirts.

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From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation

Local 12 will go "all out" on the recreation program for 1946. The present bowling leagues, under the able direction of Ed Mandy, are comprised of twenty-four men's and ten ladies' teams. The men are bowling at Hagerty's and the Bowl-O-Drome alleys, while the ladies are in mid-season competition at the Pal-A-Drome alleys.

"Birdie" Rule

Basketball, a very popular sport with Local 12 members, is being played by the members of our eight-team league, Monday nights at Scott High School gymnasium. The league, which is in its first year, already has the distinction of containing some of the best teams in the city. Bob Barker, who was appointed sub-director in charge of basketball, is well known in and around Toledo in basketball circles. The teams will engage in a "round robin" tournament beginning Monday at Scott High.

Many basketball fans from the shops affiliated with Local 12 have been attending the games and cheering their respective teams on to victory. The games are primarily for the entertainment of Local 12 members but admission is also free to the public.

Eddie Kurek, one of the best known amateur golfers in the city, and who conducted our first annual golf tournament, is already making plans for the second such tournament to be held probably in August. The tournament will be for CIO members only, according to Kurek.

Archery also will be given its rightful place on the program. An archery club was formed last year and a range was placed on the Local 12 grounds. The club will be enlarged this coming season and a larger range will be built.

The fishermen also will come in for a part of the program with their casting club which was formed last year with eight charter members. They will be more active this coming season.

Boxing, of course, is in its infancy, but is progressing rapidly and already the Local 12 Athletic Club is staging boxing shows at the Civic Auditorium, each Tuesday, which are outstanding in amateur circles. Later several professional fight shows will be sponsored by Local 12. It is planned to stage outdoor boxing shows during the summer months.

Those contributing to the success of the Local 12 boxing shows are tops in the profession and have been connected with boxing in Toledo for many years. The members of the boxing committee are Mary and Joe Lohman, Herman Keller, Laverne Keller, Red MacDonald, Lloyd Bennett, Tommy Adair and Dick Carroll.

The impartial and competent judges for the contests are Harry Collins, Jim Patterson and Jack Brady. The able timekeeper is Billy Denman.

For the summer months, the recreation program will deal mainly with softball among both the men and women members. A full league of players will be formed from those of the fair sex to continue the fine showing of the ladies' league of 1945.

Another men's softball league, consisting of at least eight teams, will again take the field this year to compete for the championship of Local 12. Last year, a good Spicer Unit team was declared the winner of the league and are planning on putting another representative outfit in the league.

The 1945 Local 12 softball teams, including the ladies', the men's and the All-Star softballers, were under the guidance of Frank Puskas and Bill Emerick, managers, and Harry Hyatt, coach.

An All-Star softball team to continue the work of last season's district championship aggregation will be selected from members of the CIO in Toledo. The team will again be handled by those who led the Local 12 All-Stars to the Ohio State finals in Columbus.

Exhibition games for the All-Stars will be booked with the teams of the National Softball League, which contains the fastest teams in the United States. A call for candidates for the Local 12 All-Star softball team will be sent out in the near future and the wheels will be put in motion to start this team off to championships. It will be YOUR team. Support it and promote it.

Arbor Day Set

The Governor of the State of Ohio designated April 22 to April 26 as conservation week and proclaimed Friday, April 26, as Arbor and Bird Day.

Sportsmen To Meet

The League of Ohio Sportsmen will hold its winter conference in the Deshler Wallick Hotel, Columbus, February 15 to 17, it was announced this week by Ray Miller, Zanesville league president. All sportsmen are invited.

Michigan commercial fishermen are not allowed parch under eight and one-half inches, whitefish under two pounds, or trout under one and one-half pounds.

Tourney Schedule

Following is the schedule for the Local 12 Round Robin basketball tournament which begins Monday night at Scott High School gymnasium:

Champion Spark Plug vs. Gordon Bumper at 7 p. m.

Spicer Unit vs. Surface Combustion at 7:25 p. m.

DeVilbiss Unit vs. Toledo Tubes at 8:15 p. m.

Auto-Lite Unit vs. Toledo Tools at 9:05 p. m.

Local 12 Fighters Win

Jerry Heminger On Next Show

In the windup of a fine fight card presented to the fans of Toledo by Local 12, Tuesday night in the Civic Auditorium, Chralye Whitebeaver of Detroit lost the judges decision to his fellow townsman, Ray Barnes, welterweight.

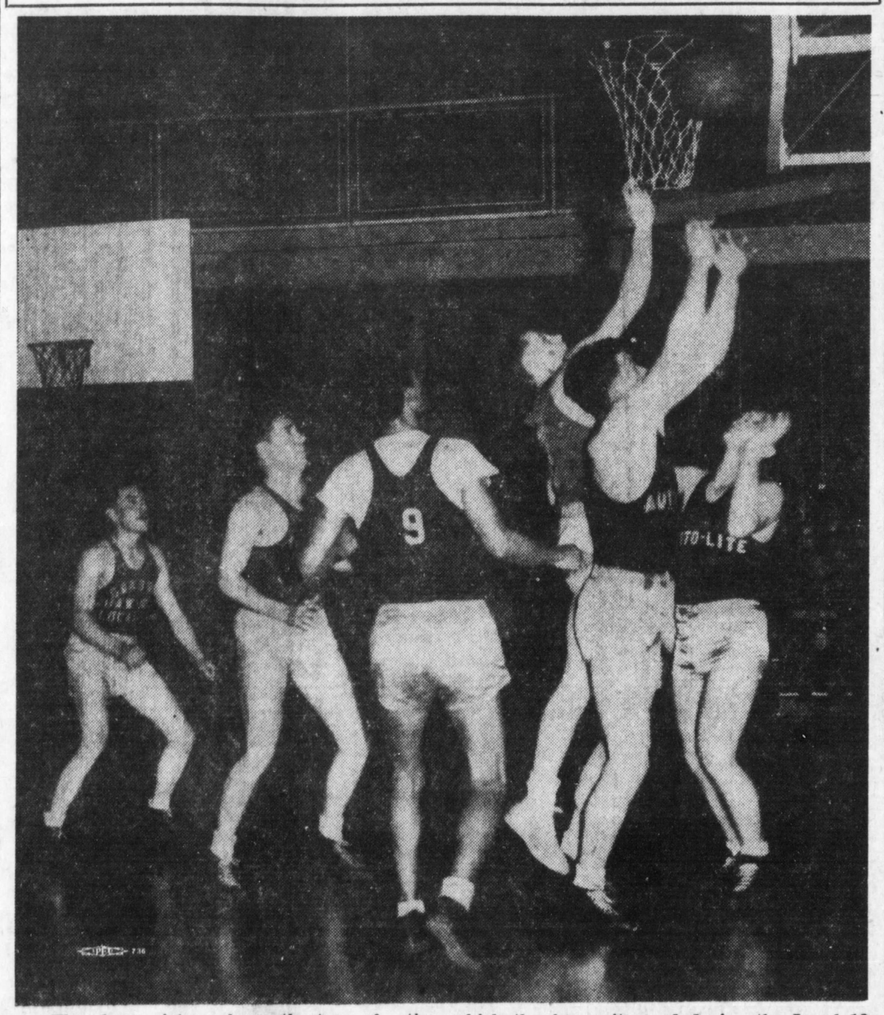
Jery Heminger, popular boxer from Fremont, was scheduled for the main bout but his opponent Joey Smith, of Detroit, failed to make an appearance. They have been matched for the next Local 12 fight show to be held on Tuesday, March 5 at the Auditorium.

Barnes used his left jab effectively and had his opponent staggering from his superior infighting. Whitebeaver missed his right and left swings repeatedly and from the first round on there was no doubt as to the outcome of the fight.

The two Local 12 A. C. boxers on the card were victorious in their matches. Little Tito Clarey, 90 pounds of atom stuff, defeated Tim Herbert in the curtain raiser. This bout gave the fans plenty of action and got the program off to a good start. Dick Morris made it two in a row when he got the judges decision over Don Prond, a boy who has a mighty good left hand.

As usual, the Mizzi brothers from Ray and Joe won by technical knockouts over Bill Oliver and Alvin Lewis, both of Toledo. Toledo's Sammy Ross was knocked out in the second round by Lester Felton, a clever boxer from the Brewster A. C. Another Toledoan, Simmy Harris, avenged that defeat, however, when he soundly laced Billy Whitfield, also of the Brewster club.

Action In Local 12 Basketball Games



The above picture shows the type of action which the fans witnessed during the Local 12 basketball games at Scott High School. The picture shows the final game of the regular schedule between the Gordon Bumper and Auto-Lite teams, which was won by the latter in a very close contest.

Local 12 Bowling

By Ed Mandy

Vic Truna one of Toledo's top flight bowlers hit to pspot again in the Local 12 Ladies League blasting her way to a creditable 567 series. Yowsir, Vic could bowl on my team any time.

Wanda Dudkowski (DeVilbiss) had the high single game with 192 followed by Phyllis Gawlik, 179, Verna Zam, 178 and Helen Frisch, 175. Mary Segur (Region 2-B) cut down the difficult 5-10 split.

Ed Mandy

Rose Seigel of Packard Motor left her teammates to get married to Bill Devine and will reside in Pittsburgh. The groom just returned from Pacific. Rose's team mates wish her luck and wish her the usual wheeze that "all her troubles will be little ones."

In the men's International Division the Canco boys are losing ground, but fast dropping two games to Bingham while the up-and-coming Willys quintent was sweeping three from the Rathbun engineers. The Cancos now hold but a one game edge over the Jeep boys for the top spot.

The American Division put three men in the Local's honor roll headed by Warren Hesselbart's 638 who featured a 25 single in the set. He was followed by Jim Childers 626 and Cap Muszynski with 620. Other top scores:

Ken Shepard, 211; Hank Laurich, 201; Jack Smiczek, 208; Marvin Ruth, 209; Frank Ivansco, 213; Cap Wekwert, 200; Frank Cherry, 200; Dan Zielinski, 236; Mike Dansack, 200; Herb Vogel, 213; Bob Ressler, 204 and Claude Mulkey 201 and 211.

No Fights!

There will be no Local 12 amateur fight program Tuesday, February 26, on account of the Sportsmen's Show at the Civic Auditorium.

However, the weekly boxing exhibitions sponsored by Local 12 will begin on Tuesday, March 5, and will cointinue thereafter each Tuesday night.

Michigan Plays Tigers

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Gordon, Champion 2nd; Tournament Monday

The curtain on the regular Local 12 Basketball League has been rung down, with the Auto-Lite Unit team winning the 1946 championship with a clean slate of no defeats and seven victories.

Play in the league started early in January with eight teams representing the Spicer Unit, Gordon Bumper, Champion Spark Plug, Toledo Tools, Toledo Tubes, DeVilbiss Unit, Surface Combustion, and the Auto-Lite Unit. The finest brand of basketball in the city of Toledo was displayed in the games which were played before large crowds in the Scott High School gymnasium on Monday nights.

The championship was not decided definitely until the final game of the schedule when the Auto-Lite team defeated the Gordon Bumper Five in a very close contest. The final score was 31 to 30, with Auto-Lite winning on a free throw in the last five seconds of the game. A win for the Gordon Unit would have made a tie for first place as the Bumpers had five victories against only one loss.

The final tally shows the Auto-Lite with seven wins and no losses, Gordon Bumper and Champion Spark Plug in a tie for second place, DeVilbiss in third position with four victories and three defeats, while Toledo Tools and Surface Combustion hold a tie in fifth spot and Toledo Tubes are in the cellar with seven losses.

The Local 12 Basketball League was managed by Bob Barker, of the Gordon Bumper Unit, who was assisted by a committee consisting of the managers of the eight teams represented in the league. Referees selected by the committee were Bill Filghum and Cy Reynolds, who were competent and impartial in their decisions.

Beginning on Monday, February 25, a "Round Robin" tournament will be held at Scott gym for the Local 12 basketball teams. It will be a double knockout affair with the ultimate winner being declared the champion of the year 1946. The tournament games will be free to the public and a large turnout of basketball fans is expected to attend.

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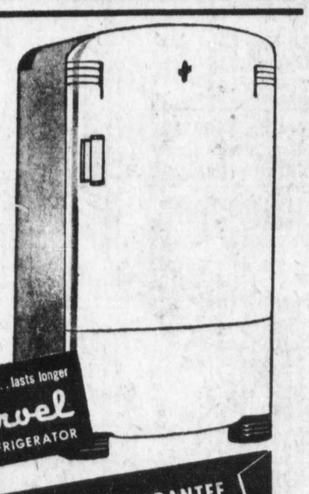

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